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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the Official action of September 26, 2007 for which a reply is due by December 26, 2007, the Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks. Any additional fees associated with this Response may be charged to Merck Deposit Account No. 13-2755.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this response. Remarks begin on page 13 of this response.

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